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Commissioners to Hold September 11 Tribute at Independent Hose Company. . .

9/11 FLAG DONATED BY DAUGHTERS OF AMERICAN REVOLUTION NOW FLYING AT WINCHESTER HALL

FREDERICK, MD – A commemorative 9/11 flag donated by the <u>Carrollton Manor Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution</u> to the Frederick Board of County Commissioners is now displayed in front of Winchester Hall, the seat of county government. This special flag depicts the twin towers, pentagon and a cracked Liberty Bell, which are references to sites where many people lost their lives in attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001.

To honor those victims, the Frederick Board of County Commissioners will host a September 11 Tribute at Noon on Tuesday, September 11. This year's remembrance will be held at <u>Independent Hose Company Number #1</u> and then move to other fire stations each year to showcase the outstanding personnel, equipment and services of each one.

Independent Hose Company is located at 310 Baughmans Lane, Frederick, Md. Instituted in 1818, the company is Maryland's oldest fire company in continuous operation.

As a highlight, the program will include remarks from the following: Emcee and Director Clarence Jewell, III, Emergency Communications Department; Board President Blaine Young; Sheriff Chuck Jenkins; President Martin Fuller and Chief Rodney Masser, Independent Hose Company, and Director Tom Owens, Fire & Rescue Services Division.

Personnel from fire and rescue, military, law enforcement, emergency management and other organizations, as well as the public, Frederick County Government employees and media are invited to attend.

Independent Hose Company will also provide a complimentary luncheon after the remembrance and invites attendees to make donations to the <u>National Fallen Firefighters Fund</u>.

The County Commissioners invite citizens to "Like" a new Facebook page titled, "<u>September 11 Tribute – Frederick County, MD</u>" and share their memories, reflections and heartfelt appreciation to the heroes who gave their lives in the line of duty on September 11, 2001. The direct link to the page is <u>www.facebook.com/September11TributeFC</u>.

The ceremony will be filmed and available on FCG TV and webcasting at a later date.

For further information regarding the September 11 Tribute, contact Public Information Officer Robin Santangelo at 301-600-2590 or via e-mail at rsantangelo@FrederickCountyMD.gov.